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Informational Meeting: Food Service Support to Local Fire Fighting Efforts

The South Central Idaho Interagency Dispatch Center (SCIIDC) is sponsoring a vendor food service meeting at the College of Southern Idaho (Shields Building room 117), located in Twin Falls Idaho. The meeting will be held March 29, 2012 and will consist of two sessions; a morning session from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM and an afternoon session from 2:00 PM though 4:00 PM. SCIIDC is the dispatch center responsible for ordering services in support to the following agencies:

- Twin Falls District- Bureau of Land Management
- Sawtooth National Forest-Forest Service
- South Central Area- Idaho Department of Lands
- Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation- Idaho State Parks
- City of Rocks National Reserve, Craters of the Moon, Minidoka Interment, and Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monuments- National Park Service
- Upper Snake River Field Office- Bureau of Reclamation
- Hagerman National Fish Hatchery & Minidoka National Wildlife Refuge- Fish and Wildlife Service.

Fire Business and contracting representatives from the Bureau of Land Management, the Forest Service and the Small Business Administration (SBA) will be available to provide information.

The purpose of this vendor meeting is to solicit contractor interest and to provide information regarding the opportunities for local businesses to sell their products and services. The target audience is vendors currently doing business with our center and new business owners interested in learning more about the opportunities. Regulations change annually and it is imperative that vendors attend this meeting. The expectation and desired outcome is to provide appetizing, nutritional, well balanced meals and sack lunches to fire personnel. In addition provisions must be made for providing meal variety and special meals to accommodate firefighter needs which may vary from the standard menu. Both take out and in house meals will be needed to support this effort. Firefighters performing arduous tasks will be the primary consumer so food in high caloric and protein content is important. Meal requirements are included as enclosures.

Please keep in mind that there are various methods of providing services. Factors to consider:

- 1. Are you prepared to provide takeout meals?
- 2. How many meals are you able to provide?
- 3. Do you have contacts that can be reached anytime day or night for ordering services?
- 4. How much lead time is necessary to prepare meals?
- 5. Are you able to deliver and or cater meals?
- 6. What areas can you deliver to?

These factors will be explained in more detail at the meeting. A Vendor Worksheet is enclosed.

We look forward to doing business with you. If you have any questions call Vickie Jensen, SCIIDC, 208-732-7265, Sheryl Firth, Twin Falls BLM, 208-732-7244 or Susan L Brown, Sawtooth National Forest, 208-737-3303.

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